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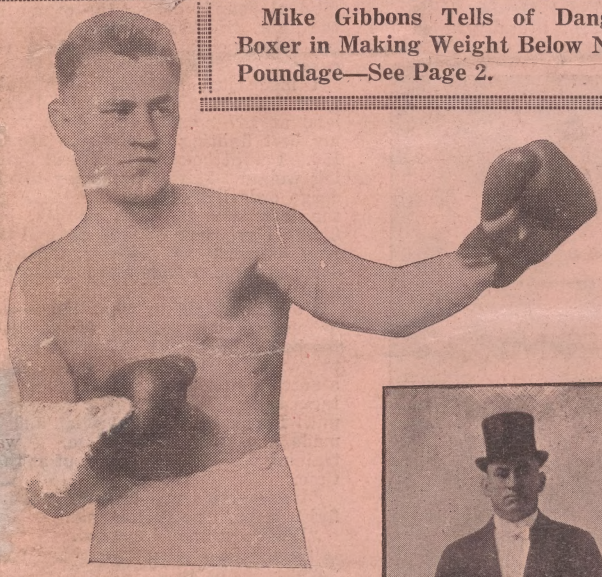

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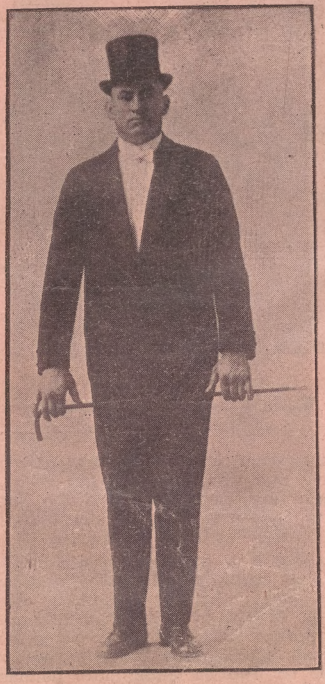

WALTER "FARMER" LODGE
In His Society Regalia

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Eminent New York Fight Manager

TOM GIBBONS
St. Paul Heavyweight Title Contender

Making Weight Below His Natural Poundage May Ruin Boxer's Career, According to Mike Gibbons

Phantom Declares Benny Leonard Has Begun to Show Effects of Getting Down to Lightweight Limit—Weight Harder to Take Off as Boxer Gets Older—Tells of Own Experience in Reducing Too Low—Aspiring Boxers Can't Be Too Careful in Getting Proper Training

BY MIKE GIBBONS
(The St. Paul Phantom)

BENNY LEONARD, lightweight champion of the world, is one of the greatest boxers that ever lived. If some of the old-timers were in their prime today, it is my belief that Leonard could beat any of them, and would prove to the world that he is in a class by himself as a lightweight fighter. So far as the present lightweights are concerned, Leonard is far ahead of all contenders and other topnotchers. True, Lew Tendler gave him a hard fight in their encounter a little while ago, but Benny beat him and held his title. At that, the bout demonstrated that Leonard has gone back a little, just as any veteran boxer will begin to slip after he has been in the game for a stretch of years.

Mike Gibbons

And this brings me to the subject of this article. While age will eventually slow up any boxer and Father Time will sooner or later put a kayo on the record of the best fighter that ever lived, there are other causes besides the advancing years that put a boxer on the retired list before he should be through. One of these causes, and what I think is one of the chief causes, is making weight below a boxer's natural poundage.

Gets Harder as They Get Older

Champions of divisions in which there is a weight limit are especially the victims of this killing weight making. Particularly if they hold their title for some years. As they get older, they take on weight as a rule, and in order to fight in their class and hang onto their championship they have to take off more and more weight which is a much harder ordeal than when they were younger.

Benny Leonard has been no exception to this rule. The lightweight champion has found it increasingly difficult to make the weight limit for his most recent titular battles. And the making of weight undoubtedly has taken its toll from him as it has from others.

So far as I am concerned, I would rather fight a man much heavier than myself than to tear off weight to meet a lighter man. I made the mistake once of making a weight that was too low for me and I regretted it during the closing years of my career. It took vitality away from me that I never regained. Some boxers think that one or two such efforts will not do any harm. I disagree with them. One may ruin himself by a single such ordeal. He may never be able to get into first class shape again.

When Weight Making Kills

Making weight literally killed Joe Gans. There is no question about that. Gans' death at a comparatively early age was indirectly due to the weakening weight he made for Battling Nelson in their memorable 42-round fight at Goldfield, Nev.

BENNY LEONARD
World's Lightweight Champion

There is a point where the boxer reaches what is called the "pink of condition." At the weight in that shape he is at his best, physically and mentally. Then, in order to get a certain match, this boxer agrees to take off two or three more pounds. He has to starve himself, suffer thirst, dry out excessively. His entire mental and physical equipment is in rebellion.

Finally, the bout takes place. He is weak and lacks speed, staying power and confidence. Suppose the bout is a desperately hard one. Probably this boxer takes off two or three additional pounds during the course of the fight. He has reached the breaking down point. He may never recover his former vigor.

I made just this sort of mistake when I agreed to box Packey McFarland at 147 pounds at a time when my best fighting weight was around 154. I went below my natural fighting weight. It was necessary to undergo ordeal after ordeal to take off the last two or three pounds, but finally I got them off and entered the ring as weak as a kitten. Then I dropped three pounds more during the fight.

Now I will relate what the consequence was. In training for succeeding bouts, I felt all right until I began to get close to normal weight. Then a succession of cold sweats would attack me. This condition continued until I consulted my physician and he made a careful examination. I was training for an important bout at that time.

"I guess this will be your last big fight, Mike," the doctor said.

"What's wrong?" I asked.

"Well," he replied, "you have used up practically all of the iron in your blood. That has cut down your resistance to fatigue. Nature permits you to train down to a certain point—which is the limit. You will have to ease up on your work."

Damage Had Been Done

Thoughts of the mistake in making weight for the McFarland bout flashed to my mind. Well, I eased up in my training but most of the damage had been done and while I put up a good fight I was not my old self by a long ways.

There is only one weight that can be made safely and that is natural fighting weight. A boxer quickly learns what that weight is if he trains intelligently and scientifically. A man who tries to beat nature is beating himself. He hasn't a chance.

I never worried about my bouts with big fellows, so long as I was at proper fighting weight.

Fans seldom thank a boxer for "cutting off a leg" to make weight

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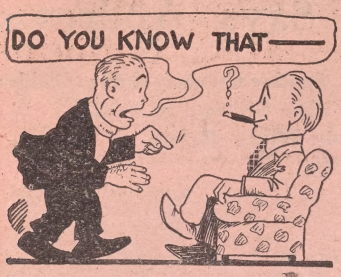

JACK BRITTON, former welterweight champion, has signed to box Bobby Barrett eight rounds at Philadelphia, Christmas day. It is safe to say that Barrett will see many, many boxing gloves on December 25th.

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Johnny Coulon, former bantam champion, was born in Toronto, Canada.

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A Thomas cat sat on a fence,
He washed his face and felt immense.

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Curley Smith, Oklahoma middleweight, is reported to have temporarily retired.

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Jess is still after Jack.

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Charley Harvey, former secretary of the New York Boxing Commission, stands a good show of having that word former removed by Al Smith.

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Charley knows boxing backwards and his appointments would be both popular and good.

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It was hard for an outsider in St. Paul last week to figure out who was promoting the Gibbons-Miske show. At times it looked like the prosecuting secretary, then again it looked like Cameron and Reddy.

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The Sec. shouldn't get so excited over nothing.

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If life was a thing money could buy, The Jews would live and the Irish would die.

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The French Boxing Federation announced that they want Carp and Siki to box for nothing.

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That sounds good to us.

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We are anxious to see how Descamps is going to squirm out of it.

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Descamps never did anything for anyone for nothing, and he is too old to start now.

Of course, Carpentier will have to do the fighting.

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Siki says that he did not fake his bout with Carpentier.

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Georges also says it was on the level.

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Descamps says that the thing was very level, in fact too level.

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Anyhow Carpentier was leveled.

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The only thing that Siki did was to talk about some things that were talked about before the fight.

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Anyhow Siki knocked Georges and his title for several bowls of well known goulash.

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It is true that Doc Bagley did not cry when Willie Jackson got knocked last week in Jersey.

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Joe Shugru's little brother, Johnny, did the job.

According to reports from Montana, Morrie Schlaifer and Frankie Murphy are bum actors.

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Detroit has limited their boxing shows to one each week.

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Harry Wills was born in New Orleans in 1892.

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Bob Fitzsimmons knocked out Peter Maher in one round in 1896.

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Most men are like kerosene lamps, they are not over bright, usually turned down, most always smoke and generally go out at nights.

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Captain Bob Roper, besides being one of the busiest heavyweights in the country, also manages his brother, Tom Roper. Tom is also a heavyweight and according to general reports, he is the real goods.

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Tom Gibbons nearly ruined a certain Joe Burke at Buffalo last week.

What Santa Claus Would Like to Put In Boxing World's Sock

Say, pop, if you were giving presents
This Christmas to the boys,
What would you give to each one
To increase their Christmas joys?

We'll say that you were Santa Claus
And could give what you thought best,
What would you give the fighting men,
The fans and all the rest?

Well, kid, if I were Santa and could
Fill their socks with joy,
I'd start dishing out the kind of stuff
The boys would not destroy.

To Dempsey, I'd give an opponent
Who could stand the gaff awhile
So he could pay his income tax
Without spending all his pile.

To Jim Delaney I'd give a chance
To dethrone the light heavy king;
I know he would be satisfied
To get the champion in the ring.

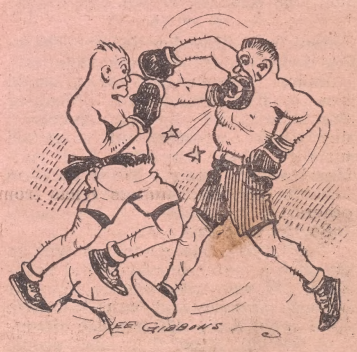
To Mike Gibbons I'd give youth and strength
So the middles would have a champ;
For with Phantom Mike in his prime,
He'd take them all to camp.

To Siki I'd give an ounce of common sense,
For even though he's king,
He should know that people like to
See him fight only in the ring.

To Mickey Walker I'd give credit
For the way he did his stuff,
I know others gave him credit,
But I don't think quite enough.

And to the fans and the boxing game
I'd give my very best;
I'd give New York a boxing Commission,
And I'd give Muldoon a rest.

—*Jack Carroll,*
St. Paul, Minn.



Not Much Class in Middleweights, Says Andrews

Present Boxers in 160-Pound Division do not Compare With Billy Papke, Stanley Ketchel, Jimmy Clabby or Mike Gibbons at Their Best—Defeat of Dave Rosenberg by Mike O'Dowd on Foul Doesn't Give Real Title to the Harp Who Must Whip Johnny Wilson Before He Has Clear Claim—Interesting Ring Gossip

By Tom S. Andrews

MILWAUKEE—The middleweight division has not been overwhelmed lately with men of class; fighters of the Billy Papke, Hugo Kelly and the late Stanley Ketchel brand have not been developed. Jeff Smith, now a veteran, is probably as good as any middleweight in the country. Jock Malone is a splendid boxer, but is a little shy of the weight required for the division, and besides Jock has had bad hands for some time. Jimmy Clabby was a wonderful middleweight and should have been champion of the class and the same goes for Mike Gibbons, but both are past the time when they could annex the crown. Both Clabby and Gibbons were head and shoulders above some of the middleweights who claimed the title and they far outclassed Al McCoy, who was credited with being champion. Bryan Downey is a good battler and all that, but had hard luck in his battles with Johnny Wilson, who succeeded Mike O'Dowd as champion, and is now an outcast in some parts while in others he is recognized as title holder. As for Dave Rosenberg being champion—well the less said about it the better. Mike O'Dowd was credited by the New York commission with winning it back from Rosenberg. Mike is a fine fellow and many would like to see him with the title at his belt, but titles won that way amount to little. Let Mike defeat Johnny Wilson and then the fans will accept him as title holder; the same for Jeff Smith, Bryan Downey and Jock Malone, who seek the crown.

Tom S. Andrews

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Stanislaus Zbyszko, former champion wrestler, thinks Jack Dempsey, champion heavyweight boxer, would have a fine chance of defeating "Strangler" Ed Lewis, champion heavyweight wrestler, in a mixed match of which there has been considerable talk lately. While in New York the big Pole had numerous opportunities to judge of Dempsey's ability in that line.

"Don't think that Dempsey will go into such a match blindly," said Stanislaus. "I was with him on his tour through Canada and wrestled with him a great deal. He is much cleverer at the mat game than most people imagine. I was surprised at his knowledge of wrestling tricks, holds, etc., and I am sure Lewis would have no easy task putting his shoulders to the mat. Jack is as strong as a bull and hard to handle. Lewis would no doubt put him down if he ever got a good hold on him, but remember that if Jack should get one wallop at the Strangler, it would be all off with him, as Mr. Lewis would take the ten count. It would be interesting to watch and to see how two such great exponents of boxing and wrestling would conduct themselves under such conditions. It would be somewhat after the style of the old rough and tumble scraps. However, from what I have seen of the two stars, I feel that Dempsey would have the best chance to win."

Talk of a mixed match between Dempsey and Lewis has been on for sometime. If held in New York, it would have to be with the consent of the New York boxing commission. There is no doubt that it would create a lot of interest in sporting circles throughout the country.

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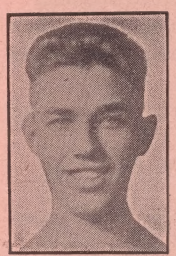

Pinkie Mitchell

Efforts are being made to bring Pinky Mitchell, the new junior welterweight champion, and Billy Wells, the English welter together in a no-decision bout somewhere in the Middle West. Pinky has been awarded the championship belt in a popular voting contest promoted by Mike Collins of Minneapolis. Wells, through his manager, Charlie Harvey, has offered to make 142 pounds for Mitchell and it is likely that the match will be arranged before long to take place at either Minneapolis, Milwaukee or Detroit.

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Charley Harvey, New York manager of boxers and former secretary of the boxing commission, is sore on account of some one sending a lad from Detroit to Milwaukee for a preliminary contest by the name of Johnny Brown. The said Johnny Brown was stopped in one round by a former amateur in Milwaukee and made a sorry showing. Johnny Brown is the name of a star bantamweight from London whom Mr. Harvey recently brought to this country. He has a good record, hence the soreness of Manager Harvey at having some third rater take his boy's name and make a mess of it. The real Johnny Brown was booked for Detroit, but is still in New York with Mr. Harvey, but he does not bar the best in the land at 118 pounds. He has fought such good boys as Joe Burman, Patsy Wallace and others.

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Eddie Meade, manager of Champion Joe Lynch, says he cannot understand why so many lightweights get the shy fever whenever asked to box Benny Valgar, his French-American star. Eddie thinks Valgar can whip all the lightweights in the country outside of about three stars and wants to match him to prove his claim.

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Jack Wolfe, the Cleveland scrapper, who recently gave Champion Joe Lynch a tough time of it in New York, is after a return bout with the title holder at weight and to a decision. Tommy McGinty, manager of Wolfe, says he will put up the necessary $2,500 forfeit for a title match any time the commission or Eddie Meade says the word.

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"Chief" Halftown, a New York state Indian, has been making quite a success of the fighting game. There are few Indian boxers in the United States and when they do appear they are quite a novelty. The "Chief" has boxed men like Jack McCarron, Young Fisher, Frankie Schoebl, and Dave Rosenberg. He is matched with Jock Malone at Zanesville, Ohio, and will get a real test from the St. Paul battler.

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Farmer Lodge, the Minnesota heavyweight whom Mike Gibbons is pointing for a crack at the stars in that division, (if there are any), is sore at Bill Brennan. The Farmer claims that Brennan has deliberately run out of a match with him at Grand Rapids, Mich. They were to have met on December 15, at least Promoter Morrissey advised Lodge to

Farmer Lodge

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Breezy Broadway Boxing Bits

By Arthur T. Lumley

THE middleweight championship should be dubbed "The muddled weight championship."

What a fine mess the Commish has made of this important title.

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A. T. LUMLEY

Neither Johnny Wilson, Mike O'Dowd nor anyone else knows where they are at.

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If this farce continues the country will be flooded with fluke champions.

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And no one will be able te tell who are the real legitimate title holders.

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This will surely cause great confusion and wrangling in the game for many moons to come.

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Who socked Artie McGovern, the former referee, is still a supposed deep mystery to the Commish.

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But the insiders know who did the socking and they are laughing at the alleged investigation.

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Sammy Nable was recently suspended because somebody socked Judge Charles Niles at the Fairmont Club.

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Why should a boxer be held responsible for scraps outside the ring.

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Surely he has enough to do with his own scrap within the ropes.

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The Commish has forbidden any boxing or wrestling matches for Christmas day.

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So many of the promoters, fighters, and managers will not earn their usual Christmas box this year.

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Except the boys do their Christmas scrapping early, before the holiday.

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Some of the suspended boxers and managers propose presenting Chairman Muldoon with a silver loving cup filled with———.

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Surely Johnny Kilbane, Johnny Wilson and others will do their part to make it a cheerful Christmas gift for the tender-hearted autocrat of Fistiana.

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Comedian Jimmy Sullivan claims that Muldoon is corralling his comedy.

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But why not let the old man enjoy himself as a jokesmith in the last days of his reign?

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Coolness under pugilistic fire doesn't mean you should get cold feet.

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What New York needs is more real fighting and less comic boxing rules.

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There never was so much foul fighting in the ring than there is at present.

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And most of the referees appear to be blind to the constant fouling.

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But in many cases the ring arbiters have not the courage to disqualify the offenders.

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Certain political heelers with their gangs too frequently rule referees and judges.

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Let us hope it may be different when Governor-elect Al Smith takes command.

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Walt Trumbull says, "If the Siki-Carpentier bout was framed Siki certainly knocked Georges out of the frame."

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Something should be done to prevent scrappy wives from beating up their pugilistic husbands.

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There's been several sad affairs of this kind both here and abroad of late.

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This is another good reason why there should be a "BOXERS' Protective Union."

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George W. Keller, who has built many a ring, is now making soft mats for diving tank scrappers to flop on.

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Keller guarantees it will be absolutely safe for divers to use his soft mats.

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Al Lippe will probably take Jeff Smith to the other side of the Atlantic in a couple of months.

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Lippe says that either Carpentier or Siki would be peaches and cream for Jeff just at present.

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The Broadway sharp shooters are still laughing about the rule against betting at the clubs.

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They claim they have the Commission's sleuth hounds chloroformed and handcuffed.

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A supposed riot on Broadway the other eve turned out to be only a flock of howling managers in a debate.

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It took sweet-voiced Jeff Victor to sing them back into normalcy and contentment

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It's rumored that all fans entering clubs will be frisked for hip flasks at the door.

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It's not hoot, mon, nowadays, it's hooch, man.

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A Newark (N. J.) club is after a match between Johnny Dundee and Mickey Walker.

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Dundee is confident that he can outbox the new welter champion in his razzle dazzle style.

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That might be an interesting bout for the Garden, but Walker wouldn't risk his title against Dundee in this state where decisions are rendered.

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Dundee and Doyle only drew $2,300 in Newark the other eve, but against Walker the gate would be almost ten times that.

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Another mystery—why did the Commish order O'Dowd and Rosenburg to fight at the Brooklyn Rink Club when Rosenburg had a previous contract with the Broadway Club?

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Deputy Commissioner John E. Van Derbosch is very popular with the boxers and managers.

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They declare he's the finest, fairest and most liberal member of the board.

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Johnny Solsberg is again in fine form and spoiling for a battle with some topnotcher in the bantam class.

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Johnny has held his own against Joe Lynch, Johnny Buff, Kid Williams, and many other stars of the squared circle, so his manager says.

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John J. Pershing, Jr., a nephew of our famous general, is a strong candidate for secretary of the new boxing commission.

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Charley Harvey, who formerly held that position under the old board, may possibly be reappointed.

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Charley has had many years of practical experience in the game and stands well with the incoming democratic governor.

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Wonder where all the bootleggers, barbers, bootblacks and other distinguished or extinguished gentry get all the press seats at the Garden and other clubs?

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Mike O'Dowd needs a long rest on some fine healthy farm. He's a bit wobbly on his legs.

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Many managers of fighters cannot manage themselves.

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That's the reason that some boxers outshine and outwit their pilots.

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But fighters require someone to do their spoofing and bulling.

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A brainy manager is a big asset to any ringster, while a dub is a great handicap.

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IMAGINE some prominent German predicting ten years ago that professional boxing matches would be welcome in Berlin or even tolerated.

Anyone with such a thought would have been considered "bugs." However, it has come to pass and what is more, the Germans are taking to the game seriously and are endeavoring to develop young men who will later be able to cope with the Americans, English, French, Italian and other fighters of the various nations.

It is surely a funny world. Previous to 1914 the residents of the large German cities would not have given boxing a second thought. They were too busy with their military maneuvers, and sports of their own liking, and looked on boxing as anything but real sport.

What a change in just eight years. Today there are several boxing clubs in Berlin and other German cities can also boast of clubs and budding champions. They now have a new idol in Brelzen, a lightweight who recently knocked Poncillac, a French boxer, for a goal. The Frenchman was knocked out in two rounds, which was the cause of much celebrating in Berlin cafes by the sporting element and others. It was an eventful night for the Berliners, but what made the evening more so was the presence of Georges Carpentier, the French idol, before he fell afoul of one Battling Siki. Georges was introduced and the crowd showed the proper sporting spirit by giving the French ex-champion a tremendous ovation.

International tournaments for boxing, football, golf, tennis, swimming, and all classes of sports will do more good to bring about good fellowship and sportsmanship than all the "peace talk" conferences they can bring about There is a certain amount of sporting blood in every man and it takes just such tournaments to bring it to the surface.

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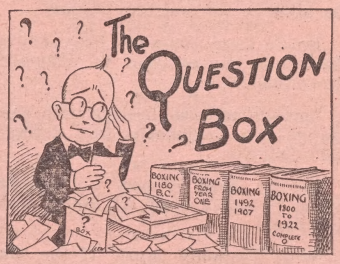

Q. Did Johnny Dundee ever fight Benny Leonard? If so, who won?—J. S., East Haddam, Conn.

A. Leonard and Dundee have fought seven no-decision bouts.

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Q. Please give the years in which the following fights took place. Carpentier vs. Beckett, O'Dowd vs. Wilson (first fight), O'Dowd vs. Lewis, Dundee vs. Leonard (last fight), Dundee vs. Welling.—A. R., Brooklyn.

A. Carpentier vs. Beckett, 1918; O'Dowd vs. Wilson (first fight), May 6, 1920; O'Dowd vs. Lewis, 1920; Dundee vs. Welling, two fights in 1920, the first over twelve rounds, no decision and the second over fifteen rounds, won by Welling.

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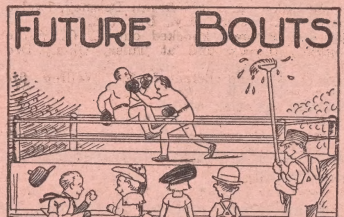
Q. How many times has Harry Wills fought Sam Langford and what were the results?—C. M., Jamaica, N. Y.

A. Wills and Langford have fought thirteen times. Langford knocked Wills out in 14 rounds in 1914 and another bout that year went the scheduled ten rounds, no decision. In 1915 they fought ten rounds, no decision. In 1916 Langford knocked Wills out in the nineteen rounds and then lost a decision to him in twenty rounds. They fought three no decision bouts of six, ten and twelve rounds respectively in the following year. Langford lost to Wills in seven rounds in 1918 and was then knocked out by Wills in six rounds. In 1919 Langford defeated Wills in 15 rounds and they fought two no decision bouts of eight and ten rounds. Their last bout was in 1920, Wills winning in three rounds.



Jim Delaney vs. Harry Greb, 10 rounds, Oklahoma City, Okla., Jan. 8th, 1923.

Joe Lynch vs. Midget Smith, 15 rounds, New York City, Dec. 22nd.

Jack Britton vs. Bobby Barrett, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., Christmas Day.

Mickey Walker vs. Phil Krug, 12 rounds, Newark, N. J., Dec. 18th.

Willie Herman vs. Johnny Martin, 12 rounds, Passaic, N. J., Dec. 28th.

Frankie Jerome vs. Jabez White, 12 rounds, New York City, Dec. 18th.

Frank Moran vs. Young Nilles, 20 rounds, Paris, France, Dec. 30th.

Jack (Kid) Wolfe vs. Benny Gould, 10 rounds, Toronto, Ont., Can., Christmas Day.

Jack (Kid) Wolfe vs. Nate Carp, 12 rounds, Baltimore, Md., New Year's Day.

Jeff Smith vs. Bob Roper, 10 rounds, Springfield, Ohio, Dec. 28th.

Dandy Dillon vs. Sammy Gordon, 12 rounds, Great Falls, Mont. Dec. 20th.

Farmer Lodge vs. Harry Foley, 10 rounds, Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 20th.

Silver Perry vs. Young Miller, 10 rounds, Grand Forks, N. D., New Year's Day.

Floyd Johnson vs. Bill Brennan, 15 rounds, New York City, Jan. 12th, 1923.

Kid Williams vs. Benny Schwartz, 10 rounds, New York City, Christmas Day.

Oakley Keys vs. Frank Danunzio, 10 rounds, Brooklyn, N. Y., Christmas Day.

Willie Gerber vs. Jimmy Mars, 10 rounds, New York City, Dec. 23rd.

Bernie Hahn vs. Teddy Joyce, 10 rounds, Detroit, Mich., Dec. 18th.

Pal Moore vs. Bud Taylor, 10 rounds, Chicago, Ill., Dec. 22nd.

Tom King vs. Bert Tribbey, 10 rounds, Marshfield, Ore., Dec. 28th.

Len Schwabel vs. Frankie Dean, 10 rounds, Lincoln, Neb., New Year's Day.

Eddie De Beau vs. Battling Strayor, 10 rounds, Lincoln, Neb., New Year's Day.

Frankie Portogallo vs. Benny Kid Levi, 12 rounds, Canton, Ohio., Jan. 12th, 1923.

Earl Miller vs. Young Fitzsimmons, 6 rounds, Wenatchee, Wash., Dec. 21st.

Earl Miller vs. Roy Orton, 12 rounds, Wallace, Idaho, Dec. 25th.

Jimmy Cole vs. Johnny Goggins, 12 rounds, Wallace, Idaho, Dec. 25th.

Howard Mayberry vs. Jimmy Valentine, 10 rounds, Duluth, Minn., Dec. 18th.

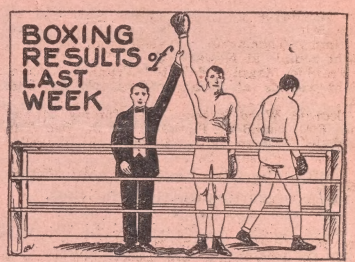
Kid Billings vs. Kid Alberts, 10 rounds, Duluth, Minn., Dec. 18th.

Buddy MacDonald vs. Glen Milligan, 8 rounds, Sioux City, Iowa, Dec. 20th.

Johnny Strike vs. Chris Gaurdaux, 8 rounds, Superior, Wis., Dec. 29th.

Artie Shiere vs. Reddy Blanchard, 10 rounds, Superior, Wis., Dec. 29th.

Panama Joe Gans vs. Andy (Kid) Palmer, 12 rounds, New York City, Dec. 23rd.



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Johnny Shugrue knocked out Willie Jackson, tenth round at New York City, Dec. 4th.

K. O. Johnny King knocked out Johnny Hart, second round at New York City, Dec. 4th.

Spencer Gardner defeated Tommy Tobin, ten rounds at New York City, Dec. 4th.

Tony Marto defeated Marty Powell, twelve rounds at New York City, Dec. 5th.

Charlie Picker knocked out Harry Coleman, twelfth round at New York City, Dec. 5th.

Sanday Taylor defeated Wildman Gould, eight rounds at New York City, Dec. 7th.

Marty Powell defeated Soldier McGee at New York City, Dec. 7th.

Frankie Jerome and Harry (Battling) Leonard boxed twelve rounds to a draw at New York City, Dec. 2nd.

Milton Weiss defeated Harry Wilson at New York City, Dec. 2nd.

Harry Mulcahy defeated Herman Rose in New York City, Dec. 2nd.

George Dougherty defeated Joe Demato at New York City, Dec. 2nd.

Petey Hayes knocked out J. H. King, fourth round at New York City, Dec. 2nd.

Rubey Stein and Paddy McNulty boxed to a draw at New York City, Dec. 2nd.

Billy Ryckoff defeated Sammy Nable twelve rounds at New York City, Dec. 4th.

Frankie Conifrey and Ernie Seitz boxed to a draw at New York City, Dec. 4th.

Red Cap Wilson knocked out Joe Stanley, eighth round at New York City, Dec. 4th.

George Godfrey knocked out Jack Thompson, fifth round at New York City, Dec. 5th.

Mike Burke defeated Eddie Josephs, ten rounds at New York City, Dec. 5th.

Gypsy Price Daniels knocked out Wally Scripp, fourth round at New York City, Dec. 5th.

Jamaica Kid defeated John Lester Johnson, twelve rounds at New York City, Dec. 5th.

Battling Powell knocked out Tommy Hilliard, second round at New York City, Dec. 5th.

Kid Fredericks knocked out Willie Knight, third round at New York City, Dec. 5th.

Willie Garber defeated Joe Ritchie, twelve rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 2nd.

Frankie Powers knocked out Jim Henry, third round at Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 2nd.

Danny Lyons and Frankie Fay boxed eight rounds to a draw at Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 2nd.

Joe Saviola defeated Sailor Vasquez at Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 2nd.

Lou Bogash defeated Italian Joe Gans, twelve rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 4th.

Pal Moran defeated Jimmy Hanlon, twelve rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 7th.

Henry Mick defeated Frankie Callahan, ten rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 7th.

Benny Linn defeated Jimmy Day, six rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 7th.

Al Roberts defeated Leo Gates, twelve rounds at Staten Island, N. Y., Dec. 4th.

Floyd Johnson knocked out Joe Stanton, second round at Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 4th.

Harry (Kid) Brown defeated Tony Julian, ten rounds at Boston, Mass., Dec. 6th.

Tibbie Lowery defeated Willie Garo, eight rounds at Boston, Mass., Dec. 6th.

Tommy Murphy knocked out Jack Seiger, third round at Boston, Mass., Dec. 6th.

Young Williams knocked out Young Quinn, second round at Boston, Mass., Dec. 6th.

Willie Harmon knocked out Young Jack Britton, fifth round at Salem, Mass., Dec. 8th.

Jimmy Frusetti defeated Frankie Brown, ten rounds at Brockton, Mass., Dec. 8th.

Tony Julian defeated Johnny Darcy, ten rounds at Brockton, Mass., Dec. 4th.

Johnny Dundee and Willie Doyle boxed twelve rounds to a draw at Newark, N. J., Dec. 5th.

Jimmy Thomasulo defeated Charlie Triano, eight rounds at Newark, N. J., Dec. 7th.

Frankie Maguire defeated Frankie Britton, eight rounds at Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 5th.

Georgie Ward knocked out Tommy Stapleton, fifth round at Paterson, N. J., Dec. 7th.

Willie Herman defeated Dick Conlon, twelve rounds at Passaic, N. J., Dec. 4th.

Mike Castle defeated Tommy Fay, twelve rounds at New London, Conn., Dec. 6th.

Willie Gradwell defeated Johnny Darcy, ten rounds at Woodsocket, R. I., Dec. 8th.

Bernard Conway defeated Allentown Dundee, ten rounds at Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 4th.

K. O. Jitney and Leo Bedell boxed eight rounds to a draw at Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 4th.

Young Mulligan defeated Mickey Craig, six rounds at Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 4th.

Bobby Richardson defeated Peter Chiodo, four rounds at Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 4th.

Peter Husic defeated Sammy Novia, twelve rounds at Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 5th.

Johnny Reno defeated Johnny Shearn, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 5th.

Jack McCarron defeated Tommy Billiard, ten rounds at Allentown, Pa., Dec. 7th.

Jack Wolfe defeated Mickey Dillon, twelve rounds at Erie, Pa., Dec. 8th.

Vincent Pokorni knocked out Joe Fitzgerald, third round at Erie, Pa., Dec. 8th.

Billy Defoe defeated Tommy Goodrich, ten rounds at Scranton, Pa., Dec. 8th.

Benny Valgar defeated Willie Ames, twelve rounds at Akron, Ohio, Dec. 7th.

Tut Jackson knocked out Walter Archer, fifth round at Akron, Ohio, Dec. 5th.

Tony Ross defeated Willie Devore at Akron, Ohio, Dec. 5th.

Mickey O'Dowd defeated Blockie Richards, twelve rounds at Dayton, Ohio, Dec. 6th.

Mickey O'Dowd defeated Red McDonald, twelve rounds at Marion, Ohio, Dec. 4th.

Frankie Portogallo knocked out George Parr, first round at Canton, Ohio, Dec. 8th.

Lew Snyder defeated Johnny Reisler, twelve rounds at Jersey City, N. J., Dec. 8th.

Jack (Kid) Wolfe defeated Mickey Dillon, twelve rounds at Erie, Pa., Dec. 8th.

Vincent Pokorni knocked out Joe Fitzgerald, third round at Erie, Pa., Dec. 8th.

Irish Johnny Curtin knocked out Peewee Kaiser, second round at New York City, Dec. 11th.

Sammy Mandell defeated Harvey Bright, ten rounds at New York City, Dec. 11th.

Steve Latzo defeated Sailor Friedman, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 11th.

Joe Borell defeated Johnny O'Neill, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 11th.

Tommy Gibbons knocked out Joe Burke, first round at Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 11th.

MIDDLE WEST

Joe Lynch defeated Joey Sanger, ten rounds at Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 7th.

Jack Zwick knocked out Bill Burns, seventh round at Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 7th.

Harry Kahn knocked out Jack O'Toole, third round at Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 7th.

Ed Shea defeated Benny Vogel, six rounds at Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 7th.

Joe Jawson defeated Tony Lukes, ten rounds at Oshkosh, Wis., Dec. 8th.

Harold Smith knocked out Frankie Henke, seventh round at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 7th.

Benny Berris defeated Tim Hurst, ten rounds at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 7th.

Mike Snyder knocked out Battling Benz, seventh round at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 7th.

Ray Jeffries defeated Joe Scully, six rounds at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 7th.

Roy Miller defeated Sonny Lyod, six rounds at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 7th.

Joe Ketchell defeated Tom Sills, ten rounds at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 6th.

Tom Dorsey and Kid Austin boxed ten rounds to a draw at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 6th.

Al Hibbard defeated Battling Nickols at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 6th.

Jack Eile defeated Rocky Joyce, ten rounds at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 8th.

Johnny Sheppard defeated Jimmy Kelly, ten rounds at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 8th.

Kid Hogan defeated Jimmy Murphy, six rounds at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 8th.

Phil Longo defeated Hap Malone, eight rounds at Fort Dodge, Iowa, Dec. 7th.

Dewey French knocked out Art Yost at Big Springs, Neb., Dec. 5th.

Kid French knocked out Mike Dale, fourth round at Central City, Nebr., Dec. 5th.

Johnny Shepherd and Jimmy Kelly boxed eight rounds to a draw at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 11th.

Jack Eile and Rocky Joyce boxed eight rounds to a draw at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 11th.

Henry Leonard and Eddie Welsh boxed to a draw at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 11th.

"Society Kid" Hogan defeated Johnny Murphy, six rounds at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 11th.

Buddy MacDonald defeated Billy Rolfe, six rounds at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Dec. 6th.

NORTH WEST

Al Van Ryan defeated Billy Stearns, six rounds at Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 6th.

Jackie Nichols defeated Billy Kaplan, six rounds at Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 6th.

Bill Buckem defeated Tom Jensen, four rounds at Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 6th.

Earl Blue knocked out George Menas, first round at Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 6th.

Ollie Bartlett defeated Paul Millnar, four rounds at Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 6th.

Mickey Malloy and "Battling" Meyers boxed four rounds to a draw at Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 6th.

SOUTH

Jock Malone defeated Bryan Downey, twelve rounds at Louisville, Ky., Dec. 5th.

Cowboy Padgett knocked out K. O. Willie Loughlin, third round at Tulsa, Okla., Dec 5th.

Young Galiano defeated Joe Welling fifteen rounds at New Orleans, La., Dec. 11th.

Buck Rider defeated Chappie Cole, six rounds at Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 5th.

Yiene Hendricks defeated Dean Hood, six rounds at Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 5th.

Louis Adery defeated Young Dempsey, six rounds at Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 5th.

Tommy Irvine knocked out Kid Rich, first round at Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 5th.

Kid Dugan defeated Al Knowles, eight rounds at Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 5th.

Joe Matranga defeated Erbie Mack, fifteen rounds at New Orleans, La., Dec. 5th.

Ray Maywood knocked out Freddie Brewer, third round at New Orleans, La., Dec. 5th.

Young Stribling defeated Jimmy King, ten rounds at Macon, Ga., Dec. 7th.

Mickey Riley defeated Abe Kabakoff at Dallas, Tex., Dec. 5th.

Brooke Stevens defeated Dale Hill, ten rounds at San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 5th.

Kid Pancho defeated Jimmie Wayne, eight rounds at San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 5th.

FAR WEST

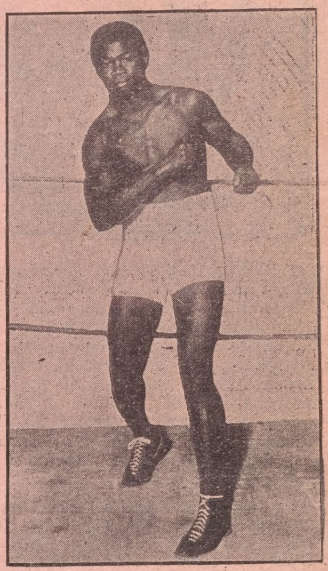
Leo Stokes defeated Roy Kelley, twelve rounds at Wallace, Idaho, Nov. 29th.

Johnny Goggins knocked out Kid Vick, first round at Wallace, Idaho, Nov. 29th.

Story by Rounds of Famous Fights

Each week the Boxing Blade will publish detailed rounds of some famous fights of ring history.

FIFTH and sixth rounds of fight between Georges Carpentier and Battling Siki at Paris, France, Sept. 24th, 1922, when the Senegalese Black Panther won the world's light



BATTLING SIKI

heavyweight championship from the Idol of France by a knockout.

ROUND 5

Siki sprang to the offensive from his corner, intending quickly to polish off the Frenchman. Carpentier met the attack with a low blow and was warned by Referee Bernstein. The low blow seemed to enrage Siki, who went furiously at Carpentier, missing numerous swings. Finally, however, he caught Carpentier with a short hook to the jaw, and the Frenchman went down. Carpentier, who was near the ropes, gripped them in rising and butted Siki in the stomach. The Frenchman was helpless. Again he was warned by the referee for butting. When the bell rang Carpentier groggily staggered to his corner.

ROUND 6

Carpentier came out hardly able to stand. The spectators expected his second, Descamps, to throw in the sponge, as the Frenchman was unable to put up his hands. A short uppercut sent Carpentier reeling backwards, and then the Negro drove hard rights and lefts to the body. Carpentier crumbled to the floor halfway through the ropes, completely out, after one minute and 10 seconds of fighting.

PACIFIC COAST

Jack Josephs and George Lavigne boxed four rounds to a draw at Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 9th.

Eddie Diggins defeated Mike O'Leary, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 8th.

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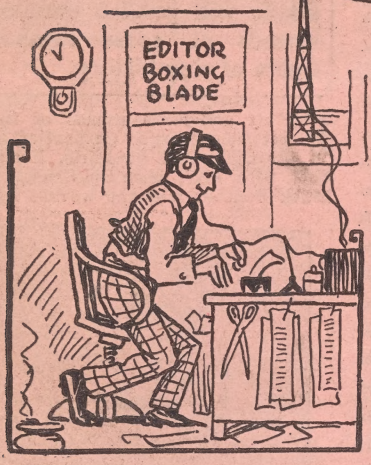

MICKEY CURRAN, manager of Phil O'Dowd, and Harry Segal, manager of Danny Lee, have been indefinitely suspended by the boxing commission in New York. An investigation into a recent bout between O'Dowd and Lee at the Commonwealth Sporting Club in Harlem a few weeks ago convinced the Commission that O'Dowd was drugged either before the bout or while it was going on.

O'Dowd was taken seriously ill immediately after the match in which Lee was the favorite, although O'Dowd seemed to have the greater claim to that distinction, he having outpointed Joe Lynch. It was the illness of O'Dowd that caused the commission's investigation.

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FARMER LODGE GETS TWO BOUTS IN WEEK

Farmer Lodge takes on Tiny Jim Herman of Seattle, Friday night for 10 rounds at Omaha then jumps over to Grand Rapids, Michigan, where he tangles with Harry Foley for 10 rounds or less. Foley is substituting for Bill Brennan, who ducked the Farmer.

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BASIL GALIANO WINS OVER JOE WELLING

Basil Galiano of New Orleans outboxed Joe Welling of Chicago at New Orleans on Dec. 8th in a fifteen-round bout. Galiano received the referee's decision being credited with eight rounds. Welling won six and one was even. Welling took the last two rounds by a big margin.

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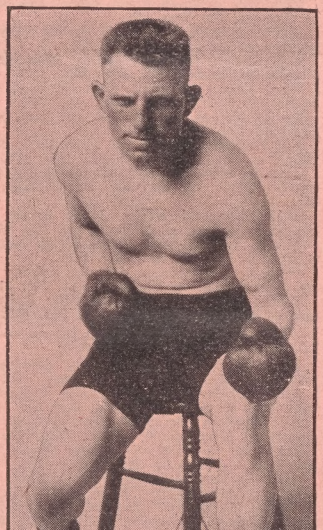
GLOBE TROTTER SAYS BOXING IS POPULAR ALL OVER WORLD

Jack Payne, famous high diver, is spending several days in Minneapolis. Jack was born and raised in the Mill City and started out to be a boxer. During the last ten years he has circumnavigated the globe three times. Payne's stunt is diving 110 feet into five feet of water. During his last three-year trip around the world, he particularly noticed that all foreign countries have taken up boxing and he predicts that inside of 20 years boxing will be the leading national sport in four-fifths of the countries of the world.



COWBOY PADGETT
Popular Western Welterweight

MIKE McTIGUE SIGNS TO FIGHT BECKETT

Mike McTigue, well-known New York Irish middleweight, is matched for 20 rounds with Joe Beckett at London, England, for the night of Jan. 25th. Joe Jacobs, Mike's New York manager, received a cable from McTigue stating that forfeits were up and articles signed. If Michael can hit Beckett with his famous right hand, he will be heavyweight champion of England.

HARVEY THORPE GOING BETTER THAN EVER

Jay Thomas, Kansas City manager, writes that Harvey Thorpe won his last three bouts, boxing and fighting better than ever. Also that Arlos Fanning won a decision over Len Schwabel at Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 29th. Both Fanning and Thorpe are in shape and ready for bouts any place in the country.

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COWBOY PADGETT IN BIG DEMAND

Reckless Ray Alvis, has his Cowboy Padgett boxing at least once a week. Padgett's K. O. over K. O. Loughlin at Tulsa a few weeks ago has made the Cowboy a big card there. Promoter Louis Newman is now trying to arrange a match between Padgett and Sailor Friedman at Tulsa for January 5th.

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STEVE LATZO OUTPOINTS SAILOR FRIEDMAN

According to reports from Philadelphia, Steve Latzo outpointed Sailor Friedman there in 8 rounds last Monday night. Latzo took five rounds, Friedman, two, and one even.

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TOM GIBBONS KAYOS JOE BURKE IN ROUND ONE

Joe Burke, Detroit, Mich., heavyweight lasted only about two minutes of the first round with Tom Gibbons of St. Paul in their bout at Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 11th. Burke rushed Gibbons at the opening bell but his haymakers were easily blocked and avoided by Tommy. Gibbons then stabbed Burke with a series of left jabs to the face and whipped over a right hook which landed on the button Burke went down and out.

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KID HOWARD ENLARGES ARCADE GYMNASIUM

Kid Howard, popular owner of the Arcade gymnasium at Chicago, is enlarging his establishment to afford the boxers more space. The entire third floor will be used for training purposes, while dressing rooms and handball courts will be on the fourth floor. When alterations are completed, Howard asserts he will have one of the finest gymnasiums of its kind in the country.

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WOMEN BOXING BOUTS ARE RAGE IN GERMANY

Women boxing bouts are all the rage in Germany now, according to Barney Abel of Chicago, who has recently returned from that country.

"A boxer thinks he's doing pretty

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fairly well in this country if he has one good bout a month," said Barney. "But over in Germany they think nothing of having a matinee and a night bout and then come back for another on the next day.

"And the purses? Well, they sound pretty large when expressed in marks, but when reduced to American money they amount to 3 or 4 cents. Sometimes the winner in the women bouts receive a handsome bouquet as a purse.

"I had a publicity man over there who wrote up the stuff for me. He actually thought he was being overpaid if I gave him 1,000 marks."

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AL VAN RYAN WINS OVER BILLY STERNS

Al Van Ryan of St. Paul outpointed Billy Sterns of Minneapolis in the six-round main event of the Minneapolis Athletic Club's show last Wednesday night. It was a five bout card and turned out to be a dandy. George Barton refereed all the bouts.

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JOE LYNCH SHADES SANGOR IN 10 ROUNDS

Joe Lynch, world champion bantamweight, was given a shade decision by sporting writers over Joey Sangor, Milwaukee featherweight, at the end of a ten-round no decision on December 7th at Milwaukee. Lynch appeared to have the advantage in six and Sangor in four rounds.

Jack Sewick, welterweight of Kaukanna, Wis., knocked out Bill Burns of Duluth in the seventh round of an eight round semi-final. Harry Kahn, Milwaukee lightweight, stopped Jack O'Toole, Minneapolis, in the third round of a six-round go. Eddie Shea, Chicago featherweight, outboxed Benny Vogel, Milwaukee, in six rounds.

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DANDY DILLON MEETS SAMMY GORDEN

Great Falls, Mont., will stage its next big show on Dec. 19th. Dandy Dillon of Minneapolis will step 12 rounds with Sammy Gorden of Seattle. The weight is to 124 pounds at 3 o'clock. Frank McDonnell, matchmaker for the American Legion, writes that this looks like the biggest show this season.

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BUD LOGAN WINS BOUT ON COAST

Bud Logan easily defeated Bobby Allen in his first start in California, Dec. 5th. Logan made a big hit and is expected to be matched with the best welters on the coast during the winter season.

CANADIAN MIDDLEWEIGHT SEEKS BOUTS IN STATES

Jack Reddick, middleweight of Canada, has located in Minneapolis. Reddick is working out at Jimmy Pott's gymnasium and is open to box any middleweight in the country.

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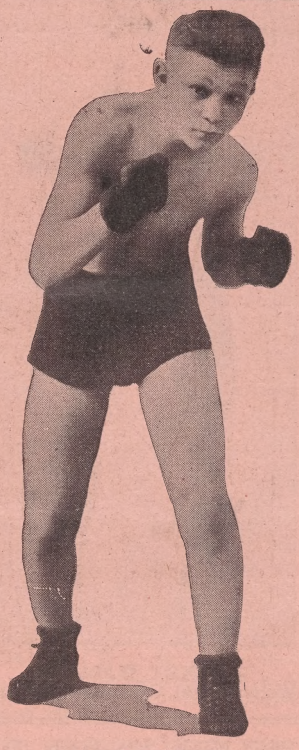
BANTAMS HEADLINE DULUTH SHOW

Ray Carnes, boxing promoter of Duluth, Minn., announces his next show for Dec. 18th. Howard Mayberry and Jimmy Valentine, two local bantamweights, will feature the show. Kid Billings and Kid Alberts will step three rounds in the semi-windup. There will be three other bouts on the card and a local referee.



DANDY DILLON
Minneapolis Crack Bantamweight

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JACK JOSEPHS DRAWS WITH GEORGE LEVINE

Jack Josephs, Minneapolis junior welterweight, received a draw in his first California bout with George Levine at Hollywood, Dec. 8th. According to Los Angeles press reports, Josephs made a sensational show and will have no trouble in getting all the bouts he wants in California this winter.

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MARK MOORE MANAGED BY JOE SUSSMAN

Joe Sussman of Minneapolis has taken over the management of Mark Moore, Minneapolis middleweight, and big Bob Corbett, Canadian heavyweight. Big Bob is from the northwest woods and is a former lumberjack. Sussman claims that Corbett is as tough as they make 'em and is ready for any of the big fellows in the country.

Mark Moore needs no introduction. He is one of the toughest middleweights and can fight every night if necessary. Sussman's address is 305 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

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KANE AND LONG MADE MATCHMAKERS

Eddy Kane and Eddy Long, managers of Tommy Gibbons, have been appointed matchmakers for the new Twin City Athletic club of East Chicago. This club is just completing their new indoor arena seating 4,000 and will be ready New Year's day to run shows twice a month. The club is within half an hour's ride of Chicago's loop and has always been a good boxing center.

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JIMMIE KELLEY MAKES MATCHES FOR DALLAS CLUB

Jimmie Kelley, formerly of Tulsa, Okla., has been selected matchmaker by the business men's new club at Dallas, Texas. Kelley is trying to match Jim Delaney of St. Paul with Happy Littleton of New Orleans, for his opening show.

Eastern Boxing News and Comment

BY CLARENCE S. GILLESPIE

NEW YORK CITY—Pal Moran, the Southern lightweight, was a winner over Jimmy Hanlon of Denver in the feature twelve-round bout at the Rink Sporting Club, Brooklyn, Dec. 7. It was a boxer against a fighter and once more the boxer proved his superiority. Pal won every round as far as scoring points was concerned but Hanlon was always dangerous. Frankie Callahan, veteran lightweight, tried a comeback against Henry Mick, a tough lightweight, but the youngster was too strong and won the verdict.

Clarence S. Gillespie

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A match that has been hanging fire for a long time has been made and Bill Brennan has agreed to box Floyd Johnson at the Garden, January 12. Floyd has won every start since coming East and Manager Charley Cokk is confident that his charge will take Bill into camp in much quicker time than it took Champion Jack Dempsey to do the trick.

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Lew Snyder, Frank Bagley's candidate for featherweight honors, won over Johnny Reisler in a twleve-round bout at Jersey City, December 8. Lew, who is a southpaw, was too strong for Reisler and won most every round.

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Jimmy Goodrich and Billy DeFeoe furnished the Scranton fans with ten rounds of about the fastest milling seen in the coal country in many moons, Dec. 8. There was little to choose at the finish and ringside reports declared the bout a draw.

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As the first of the year draws near there are many names mentioned as the new boxing commissioner's. Prominent among them are Eddie Curry, the old time featherweight who was quite a figure in ring affairs twenty years ago.

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Willie Doyle, who fought Johnny Dundee at Newark, December 4, looks like one of the best lightweights seen in the East in many a day. Previous to the Dundee scrap, he had defeated Willie Jackson. He is sure to secure many profitable engagements at the New York clubs during the winter.

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Sailor Friedman, Chicago lightweight is now making New York his headquarters and his new manager, Paddy Mullins has several bouts booked for him. Sailor fought Pete Latzo at Philadelphia, December 11 and the club there is making an effort to match him with Bobby Barrett.

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Mickey Walker, welterweight champion, will box his first fight since winning the title on December 18, meeting Phil Krug. The title will not be at stake as the boys will meet at 155 pounds. They will meet at the big Armory in Newark.

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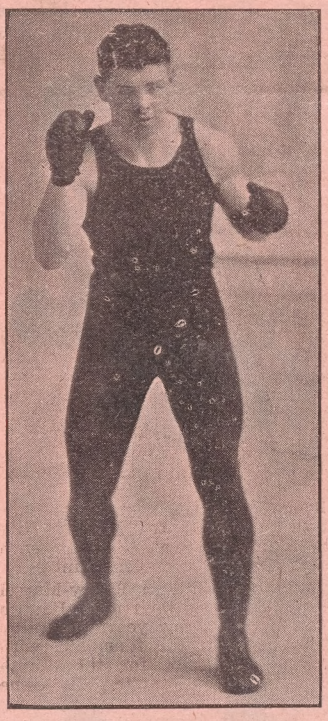
Frankie Genaro, who defeated Pancho Villa, is in bad with the New Jersey Boxing Commission due to his failure to go through with a Villa bout at Newark. Phil Bernstein, manager of Frankie, claims the club refused to post their guarantee of $3,000.



MICKEY WALKER
Welterweight Champion of World

Eddie Meade, who directs the affairs of Champion Joe Lynch and Andy Chaney, is still trying to collect the $2,500 due Chaney for his battle at New Haven against Kid Kaplin. To be sure, Connecticut has a commission but they don't seem to be able to protect the boxers appearing in the state. Marty Cross still has $750 coming for a battle at Hartford over a year ago.

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Among the boxers training at the MacLevy Gym at Madison Square Garden are the Zivic brothers of Pittsburg, Mike O'Dowd, Sailor Friedman, Sammy Mandell, Frankie Garcia and Pee Wee Keiser.

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Johnny Buff will leave for the Coast after the first of the year and after taking a complete rest will tackle the four-rounders out there. Lew Diamond will also take Jabez White, the fast little 118-pounder with the party.

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Every fighter in the world seems to be in New York at present and they are all gunning for a chance to show in the Garden. Matchmaker Frank Flournay will try and use them all. In the meantime we would advise the boys to try and secure engagements at the smaller clubs.

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Dave Rosenberg is in the bad graces of the commission again. He claims he was forced to go through with the O'Dowd match with a bad hand. His manager, Joe Schwinger, is the one to blame if he sent his man into such an important battle when his charge was out of shape.

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Midget Smith will have his big chance on December 22 when he meets Joe Lynch at the Garden for the bantamweight title. A great little fighter when in shape and one of our very best drawing cards, Smith should make the most of his opportunities and always appear in the best of condition.

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French Boxing Federation Announces It Will Sanction Bout Under Certain Conditions Among Which Are That Receipts Go To Charity and Boxers Get Nothing

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PARIS, FRANCE—Georges Carpentier and Battling Siki may be permitted to settle their feud in the ring despite the fact that Siki has been suspended and his license to box revoked by the French Boxing Federation. The federation announced that it is ready to authorize the fight under the following conditions:

Siki must appear before an investigating committee and justify the charges he made that his other bout with Carpentier was a frame-up.

The receipts must go to the aid of some fund of national importance.

The contest must be organized by the federation and financially controlled by representatives of the fund.

All moneys collected, including the sums from photographs and moving picture rights, shall be paid over to the fund. The only deductions permitted will be for rent of the hall, unless, as is hoped, the hall will be given free, and the expenses of attendants.

There will be no free seats.

The members of the federation, official referees, judges, timekeepers, seconds, managers, boxers and reporters must all pay an admission fee.

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LONDON, ENG.—Major Wilson has returned from Paris without furthering his plans for a big New Year's show in London. The projected Beckett-Carpentier clash is shelved for the present. Carpentier absolutely refuses to listen to any terms for a fight with the Britisher and keeps harping back to his oft-repeated desire for another encounter with Siki. There are no signs of the French Federation relenting and I guess the negro will have to return to his former mode of obtaining a living, for his boxing career is almost finished. French fans are a fickle crowd as the demonstration after Carpentier's defeat showed and though the general idea in Paris just now is that Siki fully deserves his punishment, when the period of suspension is ended it is quite possible there will be an outcry for Siki's return to the ring. The interval will enable Carpentier to get his hands back into shape.

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Major Wilson tried to get Mons. Eudeline's signature to a contract for Criqui to box Danny Frush in London, but even that is in suspense. All sorts of things may happen to upset the featherweight class. By defeating Billy Matthews in 17 rounds, Eugene Criqui became actual champion of Europe. On Dec. 15th Joe Fox in due to box Mick McAdam in Edinburgh, a bout that will carry the British title and is no certainty for Fox even if he is a strong favorite in the betting market. Major Wilson will probably await the decision of this battle before going after a Criqui-Frush bout again.

Frush is fixed up with Johnny Curley at the Ring Arena at 128 pounds, being two pounds above the featherweight limit. This test may bring out some of the talent Frush did not show us when he fought Bill Handley recently, but Frush if he has any pretensions to the British or European titles ought to win comfortably. Danny told us that he was promised a Lonsdale belt contest with Joe Fox at the National Sporting Club on a date yet to be fixed in January. One wonders how this arrangement will affect Wilson's plans for a Frush-Criqui bout. If the belt contest is decided first and Frush were defeated by Fox he would be a poor draw for Wilson. The general opinion, except in the Leeds district, is that Danny will prove too strong for Fox, though the champion is a tough boy when fighting for side bets, which are a necessary ingredient for all belt clashes.

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The Paris press is up in arms against the continual putting of French champions on with inferior boxers from England. The practice is by no means novel as a glance at the records of Carpentier, Criqui, Ledoux and others will show. Parisian promoters in the past served up many unequal and unsatisfactory bouts of this type, the British importation generally having a title tab of some description attached to lure the fans and up until this week, the French writers have made no complaint.

Evidently the Tom Berry-Marcel Nilles bout stirred their bile. Berry's defeat of Siki a few years back was the bait set for the fans, and with Nilles a contender for the heavyweight title he lost to Siki some months ago, it was not surprising that the Salle Wagram was packed to the doors. The corpulant British veteran lasted 2½ minutes, the major portion of which appears to have been expended on clinching, Berry being put out with the one clean blow of the bout. British champions are not obtainable for Paris whilst the rate of exchange remains around 70 francs to the English pound, therefore the French promoters import any old dub with one bright spot in his record, bill him as a wonder and the fans fall for it. The wonder of the whole business is that the patrons of the game continue to pay for these one-sided and purposeless bouts. The French newspapers are now soliciting the French Federation to intervene to prevent further exploitation of British dubs. The Federation has the power to do this. All Paris promoters are bound to obey its dictation and supported as it is by the government minstry of sport and physical culture, clubs dare not ignore warnings issued by the ruling body.

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Frank Moran, despairing of getting a return match with Joe Beckett, has issued a challenge to Marcel Nilles. The Pittsburgh heavyweight is sadly in need of funds and has been working hard to attract the attention of Jack Bloomfield, Dick Smith and Frank Goddard. The latter bunch show no sign of negotiating with Moran though all three are busy hurling defiance at one another. Goddard in particular wants Joe Beckett or failing him suggests that Dick Smith should box him, the winner to meet Beckett later.

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The termination of the horse racing season this week will deprive Beckett of his main form of recreation and possibly he may feel more inclined to listen to some of the many challengers for the title he has held since June, 1919. Dick Smith has apparently but one ambition and that is to win the British heavyweight title. He has consistently ignored all offers to meet Jack Bloomfield and Frank Goddard on the plea that his Oxford University training engagement stands in the way, but the slightest noise of a Beckett contest fetches him to London first train.

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JOEY SANGER of Chicago, former Milwaukee sensation,—well, that's what it really is now,—Joey and his brother manager, Lew, have decided to live in our Windy City and book their bouts from these parts in the future. Lew claims his brother isn't recognized as a home town product should be, and after hearing a Milwaukee promoter state that he should have paid the promoter to box Champion Joe Lynch, whom he battled from bell to bell, he decided to pick a new headquarters. Sanger will not want for matches around here.

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BUD CHRISTIANO, is a leather pusher with a personality that is a credit to the game and a smile for everyone he meets. The popular Bud is going great of late, as witness his sensational battles with Harry Kid Brown, K. O. Jeakle, Frankie Calahan and Benny Valger. Christiano insists that he is a junior lightweight.

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THE BEST match this season was made by Matchmaker Phil Collins when he grabbed the Bud Taylor and Pal Moore bout for the U. S. S. Commodore boat on Dec. 22. The boys battled last summer at Aurora with neither getting the verdict and both have been bitter rivals since. Milwaukee promoters were trying to get Pancho Villa for Taylor and Pal yelled about it, insisting he is the most logical man. The winner will get the Milwaukee date.

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WEEKLY VISITORS were Tom Gibbons, Dave Shade, Bob Smith, Eddie Meade, Champ Joe Lynch, Manager Bob Sady with Frankie Jenke from Milwaukee, Babe Asher, Sammy Park, New York bantam, Frankie Osner and his dad, Joey Sanger and his manager, Lew Sanger, and Stewart MacLean.

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EVER HAMMER, "The Bristling Blonde," is in strict training for a number of matches that Manager George Ferguson has received offers for. Hammer, after a layoff, won from K. O. Mars last week and now is booked to mix it with Ray Pryel on Christmas Day in Cincinnati. Ever is considering the coast game for the winter and may try it, if he comes out O. K. with Pryel.

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HAROLD SMITH, the stockyards sensation, scored a knockout over Frankie Henke of Milwaukee when the referee stopped the battle in the seventh round. Harold is improving with each battle and has victories over Johnny Sheppard and Bud Taylor, whom he knocked down, and a draw with Pal Moore. The other bouts on the Smith and Henke card were Benny Berris, a promising featherweight, who was given the referee's decision over Tim Hurst in six rounds. Ray Jeffries beat Joe Scully and Mike Snyder stopped Battling Benz.

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BARNEY ABEL, the globe trotter, is highly elated over his statement which appeared in the Nov. 18th issue of the Blade when he said that Siki pulled the double cross on the Frenchman. Able, on his European tour, saw the Siki-Carpentier, and the Ted Lewis-Carpentier battles and still expresses his doubts about both affairs. But Barney speaks highly of Eugene Criqui and is willing to bet he cops the featherweight crown.

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SILVIE FERRITTI'S gymnasium is a busy place these days with Chicago's best boxers training for bouts. Working out daily are Charley White, Andre Anderson, Mike Dundee, Bud Christiano, Babe Asher, Charley Glaser and Harold Smith.

BUD TAYLOR
Classy Chicago Bantamweight

ACCORDING to a story with Philadelphia date line, Jules Mastbaum, the new promoter, has offered Mickey Walker a guarantee of $12,500 for a battle with Sailor Friedman, local boxer, to be held at the Philadelphia arena, formerly the Ice Palace, which has a seating capacity of 10,000. The bout is to take place on New Year's day.

ANDRE ANDERSON, the heavyweight, hasn't missed a single day for the past few months in training for a comeback. The only thing that Andre craves is real action, which he cannot get in the gym as there aren't any heavyweights around to spar with him.

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MIKE DUNDEE, bantamweight, junior feather and junior lightweight contender, is working out lightly after a month's layoff having a bad hand. Dick Curley, the Italian lad's manager, will take a trip to his New York home for the holidays and will try to close some matches for Mike.

Making Low Weight May Ruin Boxer's Career

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for a bout. Many of the Eastern writers hopped on me after the McFarland bout, but I didn't care to reply in detail, knowing that my explanation would be derided as merely the old alibi. At the time I was certain that I would overcome the effects of the training grind and cause them to forget the mistake I had made. But never in my career did I try so hard to fight as I did against Packey—and never in my career did I battle under such fearful odds.

Condition Is All Important

To sum up, there is a saying that "confidence is half the battle," and another that "the fight is half won when you have right on your side." I would change these sayings to read "condition is more than half the battle" because it gives you confidence and something to back it up, and "the fight is more than half won when you have right training on your side."

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Not Much Class in the Middleweight Division

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that effect, only to wire him later that Brennan refused to meet him. Lodge claims that he had Brennan out when they met in 1918, but that the bell saved him and that his own lack of condition is what compelled him to give up in the third round. Now he is willing to battle Bill for any sum from $100 to $100,000. Mr. Lodge weighs only 235 in condition and stands 6 feet 4 inches. Nice hope for Dempsey, maybe!

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Rocky Kansas, Buffalo scrapper, is back in shape again and ready for the lightweights of the country, barring Tendler and Leonard. The Buffalo Italian says he wants a few matches under his belt before he tackles the champion again, but that he does want to meet him as soon as he is right. "Leonard beat me easily at Michigan City last summer," said Rocky, "but it was due to my broken arm in the second round. It will be a very different story next time and the same for Lew Tendler. I would also like to meet Richie Mitchell again. He is a great fighter and a clean one."

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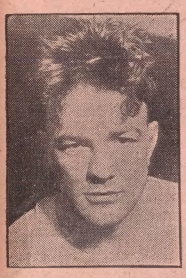
Champion Joe Lynch is working back into form for his coming battle with Midget Smith at Madison Square Garden, New York, December 22. Joe is credited with being an in and outer, but the little champion says it will be a case from now on of being on the right side all the while. By way of advance work the champion engaged in a ten-round no-decision bout with Joey Sangor in Milwaukee and gave the home lad a boxing lesson after the fifth round. Lynch carried too clever a left hand for Sangor and kept his right mauler in reserve, being content to use his left most of the time. Sangor is only a youngster in the game and did very nicely considering everything. Lynch weighed only 117½ pounds against 121 for Sangor at 3 o'clock. Lynch is anxious for a meeting with Pancho Villa, the flyweight champion, and if they are not permitted to meet in New York it is probable they will be brought together in Jersey next spring.



Joe Lynch

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Tommy O'Brien, California lightweight, who has been making Milwaukee his home for some time, is planning a trip to the Coast and will probably remain there the best part of the winter, as he does not favor the extreme cold weather. O'Brien plans on going south to New Orleans for a match, stopping at El Paso and then on to Los Angeles, where he expects to have three matches at Jack Doyle's Venice arena. O'Brien has been after a return match with Pinky Mitchell and also with Charley White in the Garden, New York.

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El Paso and Juarez, Mexico, were being boosted along nicely as the boxing center for Texas when the same old thing happened—the promoters forgot about the public and began giving rotten boxing bouts, so much so that it will take some nursing now to bring it back again. Funny how they will try and bunk the fans, knowing what the inevitable result will be! The fly-by-night promoters are a detriment to the game any place and should be barred from the sport. They usually succeed in putting it to the bad.

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It seems a hard matter to impress upon some boxers that they cannot hit in the clinch, stand back of an opponent after knocking him down, use the backhand punch, nor pound an opponent's kidneys with the butt of the hand. At the Auditorium, Milwaukee, recently, all of these rules were broken. One boxer stood right back of the referee while the latter counted and could hardly be restrained from hitting his opponent while down, another hit repeatedly in the clinches and had to be warned by the referee while Champion Lynch used the back hand punch after being warned to cut it out. If boxers did not use these foul blows in training they would not want to try them in a real battle. There is no good excuse for violating the rules if the boxers would only observe them in their practice bouts. Violation of the rules never helps a boxer, but it does bring the wrath of the spectators and officials down upon them. The rules are made to keep the game clean and they should be adhered to at all times by boxers and managers alike.

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Last Week's Results

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Bud Logan defeated Bobby Allen, four rounds at Los Angeles, Calif, Dec. 5th.

Bud Ridley defeated Ernie Goozeman, four rounds at Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 5th.

"Alabama" Max House knocked out Frankie Denny, first round at Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 5th.

Eddie Shannon defeated Young Brown, four rounds at Hollywood, Calif., Dec. 1st.

Frankie McCann defeated Kid Moha, four rounds at Hollywood, Calif., Dec. 1st.

Frankie Denny defeated Willie Williams, four rounds at Hollywood, Calif., Dec. 1st.

Charlie Sullivan defeated George Sherman, four rounds at Hollywood, Calif., Dec. 1st.

Sammy Goode defeated Johnny Kinney, four rounds at Hollywood, Calif., Dec. 1st.

Young Cumpston knocked out Ted Carrigan, second round at Hollywood, Calif., Dec. 1st.

Harry Carey knocked out Young Griffo, first round at Hollywood Calif., Dec. 1st.

Jimmy Duffy defeated Jimmy Sacco, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Joe Bell knocked out Johnny Dempsey, fourth round at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Eddie Roberts defeated Bobby Gray, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Al. Sange defeated Battling Larsen, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Cap. Nelson defeated Eddie Gorman, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Tod Morgan defeated Jimmy Mendo, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Chick Roach defeated Speck Woods, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Earl Force defeated Art Emerey, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Angelo Angelopulos defeated Johnny Lamar, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Frank Powers knocked out Emil Meyer, second round at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Johnny Lawson and Sailor Nenorte boxed four rounds to a draw at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Eddie Hadden knocked out Joe Marcus, first round at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Tommy Gonzales knocked out Bobbie Roach, third round at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Frank Merita defeated Kid Abrego, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 6th.

Joe Martinson defeated Willie Keeler, ten rounds at Cle Elum, Wash., Dec. 6th.

Battling Turk of Aberdeen, Wash., knocked out Frankie McHale, fourth round at Cle Elum, Wash., Dec. 6th.

Ted Krache defeated Morgan Jones, six rounds at Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 6th.

Dode Bercott knocked out Frankie Britt, fourth round at Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 6th.

Ad Mackie won on a foul from Chick Rocco in the third round at Salem, Ore., Dec. 7th.

CANADA

George Siddons defeated Bert Palmer, eight rounds at Toronto, Ont., Dec. 8th.

Alex Burlie defeated Louis Bloom, six rounds at Toronto, Ont., Dec. 8th.

Bobby Eber defeated Patsy Wallace, ten rounds at Toronto, Ont., Dec. 11th.

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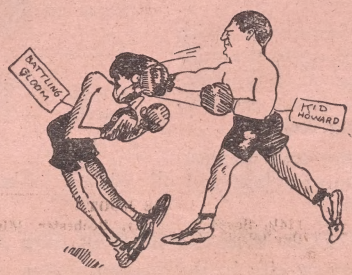

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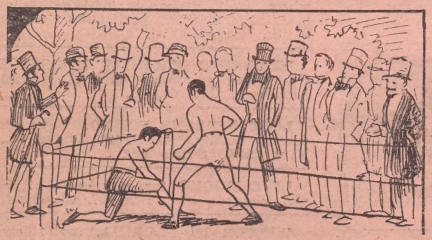

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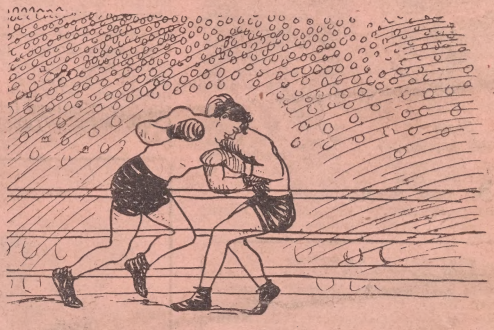

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